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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/766,084  
Filed: January 28, 2004  
For: **NOVEL BONE GRAFT COMPOSITE**  
Ref: C035795/0191629

Sir:

Applicant submits herewith a Power Of Attorney To Prosecute Applications Before The USPTO, a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) (Exhibit A), and a copy of the Assignment referenced in paragraph A of the Statement (Exhibit B), which was filed concurrently herewith.

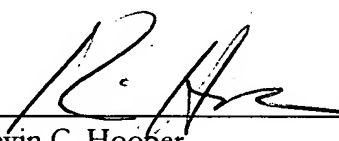
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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**

Applicant/Patent Owner: The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York

Application No./Patent No. 10/766,084 Filed/Issue Date: January 28, 2004

Entitled: NOVEL BONE GRAFT COMPOSITE

The Trustees of Columbia University  
in the City of New York

(Name of Assignee)

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(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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## Assignment

WHEREAS, I/WE

Francis Y. Lee

the ASSIGNOR(S), have invented certain new and useful improvements in

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which are described and claimed in United States Patent Application No. 10/766,084 filed January 28, 2004 in the United States Patent Office.

NOW, THEREFOR, for and in consideration of good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, I/we have sold, assigned and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign and set over unto

### THE TRUSTEES OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK,

having its principal offices at: Office of the General Counsel, 412 Low Library, Mail Code 4308, 535 West 116<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY 10027, USA,

(hereinafter the "Assignee") and the said Assignee's legal representatives, successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest, in and to the said invention within the United States of America and its territories and possessions and all foreign countries, and in and to said application and any Letters Patent of the United States of America and foreign countries, including utility models, inventor's certificates and like government grants, and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof that may be granted therefor, and the right to apply for Letters Patent in foreign countries with full benefit of such priorities as may now or hereafter be granted to Assignor by local laws or by treaty, including any international conventions, for the protection of industrial property, together with the right to extend the protection of said U.S. Letters Patent to the various territorial possessions now owned or which may be hereafter acquired by the United States of America, all said rights to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee for its own use and benefit, and for the use and benefit of its successors or assigns, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor if this assignment and sale had not been made. And Assignor does hereby request and authorize the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, U.S.A., to issue said U.S. Letters Patent, when granted, in accordance with this assignment.

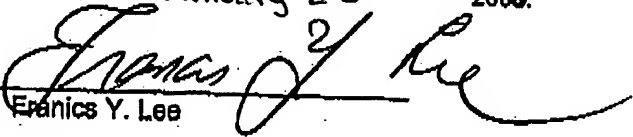
UPON SAID CONSIDERATION, I/we do hereby covenant and agree with the said Assignee that I/we will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with these presents, and that I/we will at any time upon request without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of the said Assignee, execute such additional assignments and other writings and do such additional acts as said Assignee may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the Assignee's enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, divisional, reissued, or extended Letters Patent of the United States of America on said invention, and in enforcing any rights or choices in action accruing as a result of such applications or patents, including but not limited to, giving testimony in any proceedings or transactions involving such applications or patents, and executing

preliminary statements and other affidavits, it being understood that the foregoing covenant and agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the assigns and legal representatives of all parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Assignment has been executed by the Assignor(s)

at New York, NY

, on January 20, 2005.

  
Francis Y. Lee